

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-21 are pending in this Application.

Claims 1-11 and 13-21 are currently amended. Applicants submit that support for the claim amendments can be found throughout the specification and the drawings.

Claims 1-21 remain pending in the Application after entry of this Amendment.

No new matter has been entered.

In the Office Action, claims 1-21 stand objected to due to informalities.

Objections to the Claims

Applicants respectfully traverse the objections to claims 1-21 and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to the claims in light of the above-presented amendments.

For example, amended claim 1 recites a method for quantifying an impact of wasteful operations in a database, the method comprising:

receiving one or more operations that are determined to be wasteful when performed in the database;

detecting when one or more wasteful operations are being performed in the database;

determining a time value that is spent on a wasteful operation; and

generating information that quantifies the impact of a performance problem in the database based on the time value.

As recited in claim 1, a time value is determined that is spent on performing a detected operation that has been determined to be wasteful when performed in a database. As a result, information that quantifies the impact of a performance problem in the database is generated based on the determined time value. Correction of a problem in a database is often expensive and time-consuming. Thus, a database administrator (DBA) may rely on the information generated as a result of claim 1 to more quickly identify the performance problem and the actual impact the performance problem has on the database. (Application: Paragraph [0007]).

In another example, claim 8 recites a method for quantifying wasteful operations in a database, the method comprising:

- receiving a plurality of operations that are determined to be wasteful when performed in the database;

- detecting when wasteful operations are being performed in the database;

- recording a plurality of time values for time spent on performing each of the wasteful operations; and

- storing the plurality of time values, wherein a time value is associated with a wasteful operation for which the time value was recorded.

As recited in claim 8, the plurality of time values for time spent on performing each of the wasteful operations is stored. Moreover, as recited in claim 8, each stored time value is associated with the wasteful operation for which the time value was recorded. As a result, a DBA may rely on the stored time values recited in claim 8 to more quickly identify the associated wasteful operations and the associated time spend when performed in the database.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5000.

Respectfully submitted,

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